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Latest Rumor on Section 13 Dept.

Lafferty Bros. have finished grading the roads on one quarter section! That's all for this trip. (call the Electric Power Co. for latest rumor as to when the power lines will be run in).

Banning C. of C. Wants Turtle

BANNING, CALIFORNIA — Wanted — a desert turtle.

The Banning Chamber of Commerce wants to partitipate in the Fifth Annual running of the Grand National Turtle Race Sweepstakes at Joshua Tree — but

The Chamber of Commerce has nary a turtle nor a tortoise.

If some brave hunter who has captured one of the hard-shelled desert reptiles will leave it with Melvin Hansen or Mark Torrance, he will have the undying gratitude of the Chamber of Commerce, especially if the hardback comes home with the bacon, after the big race.

The race will be held on May 7. Each year the crowds have been getting bigger at the Joshua Tree turtle races, and the biggest crowd ever is expected this year, and it is whispered considerable sums will be wagered.

It is said that some of the turtles owned by desert-dwellers have been in training for the past six years and have developed exceptional speed, as much as 50 feet an hour. "Sandbiscuit," an old turtle that remembers when the first white settlers arrived on the desert and disturbed his peaceful existence more than a hundred years

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SAN BERNARDINO — The Mount San Jacinto Winter Park Authority, a public agency and public corporation of the State of California, has requested a right-of-way easement under the act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1233, 16 U.S.C. 525) for an aerial tramway, across the south half of Section 12, T. 4S, R. 3E., S.B.B. & M., California. Section 12 is a national-forest land within the San Bernardino National Forest and is also in the San Jacinto Primitive Area, which was established under Reg. L-20 of the Secretary of Agriculture by the Chief, Forest Service, on April 21, 1931.

Public notice is hereby given that the granting of such easement would necessitate the modification, by the Forest Service, of the San Jacinto Primitive Area by eliminating the S ½ of Sevtion 12, T. 4S, R. 3 E., S.B.B. & M. therefrom, since the existence of an earial tramway would be inconsistent with the maintenance of primitive conditions.

A public hearing will be held at the County Court House, Riverside, California, at 9:00 a.m. on April 20, 1950, in order that all interested parties may have an opportunity to be heart.

Persons who desire to speak or

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Hutch Sez:

"Morongo Valley, call it what you will; Pictured in beauty, more lovely still."

—ADGER HUTCHINSON

Fobes Instructor for Local Farm School

YUCCA VALLEY — Kenneth Fobes, resident of Morongo Valley at Palm Wells, is to be the instructor for the proposed Agriculture school to be held in Yucca Valley. The school is being reorganized under the State School system and is to be an extension course of the Twentynine Palms High School, open to any resident of the Twentynine Palms High School District.

As previously reported, any veteran who can qualify under the G.I. Bill may enroll and draw compensation for on the job training, or for full-time school instruction in agriculture. Any other resident of the valley may enroll under the rules and regulations of the High school system.

Mr. Fobes has had many years of experience in agriculture and instruction. He is conducting an experimental station at his Palm Wells home in Morongo Valley.

Community Clean-Up

A concerted effort is to be conducted to clean up the deplorable condition existing, caused by ir-responsible persons who still persist in dumping their beer cans and other trash all over the city instead of at the Official Dump.

All citizens are asked to assist in the clean up, not only of their own property, but adjoining lots, it means so little effort to each one of us, and, the Welfare of this COMMUNITY is everyone's responsibility.

The Citizens, who, desire a clean city to reside in, are determined to STOP this TRASH DUMPING all over, and a reward of $5 will be given to the person who report the most names of people Guilty of this offence.

Boy Scout News

SAN BERNARDINO — Thirty-four Arrowhead Area Council Scouts are signed up for the National Jamboree, Boy Scouts of America. This announcement was made today by Webster Hall, chairman of the Jamboree Tttendance Promotion Committee.

Mr. Hall said that Colton District leads the rest of the Council with 11 Scouts enrolled. San Bernardino District has 10, Victor Valley District has 6, Mojave Desert has 6, and Joshua Monument District has 1.

Troops sending Scouts are as follows:

San Bernardino District:

Troop 9 — Bill Harps

Troop 19 — Philip Savage and Ro-

Troop 23 — 1 Scout (not chosen ger Vargas yet).

Troop 30 — 2 Scouts (not chosen yet).

Troop 47 — Doyle Martin, Gerald Hempenius, and Douglas Hill.

Post 9 — One Explorer (not chos-

Joshua Monument District:

Troop 73 — 1 Scout not chosen yet.

An Industry For The Joshua Desert

JOSHUA TREE — A back yard industry that may be the solution for a pay roll locally was introduced to us by Frank Wilberg, of Joshua Tree. According to the Reader's Digest, November 1949 issue, former share-croppers are getting rich raising yams. A hybred yam, as it is called, has all the vitamins, minerals, starches, etc., that corn has and produced many more pounds per acre than corn and twice the food value. The humble yam has been developed into a rich product that made more than one-hundred milion dollars last year for Southern farmers. Aside from its table value as a side dish with ham, it has many commercial uses. Dehydrated, it becomes a nutritoius cattle and poultry feed. The starches convert to alcohol, and ,of course, it is a good source of sugar.

Mr. Wilberg has been doing some research on the subject and finds that the yam grows best in a sandy loam with little moisture, and the MORE sunlight, the better. The yield per acre on poor soil is fabulous, as much as six hundred bushels. Experts say that this climate is well adapted to its growing.

Local evperiments will be conducted this year to ascertain if the Unit 1 Puerto Rico can be successfully grown here. If so, then perhaps we'll have a local industry that will put money into the valley from its own soil. One feed company has already promised to buy every yam grown here, and a dehydration plant is being considered. Anyone interested in helping on the experiments may contact Mr. Wilberg at the Le Orra Courts in Joshua Tree.

Ambulance Ass'n. News

At a special meeting of the Joshua Tree Ambulance Association, major changes were made in the mode of operation of the ambulance.

Effective March 13, 1950, the ambulance will be driven only by regularly employed licensed chauffers. Kenneth L. Williams will be Chief Driver, and on duty during the daytime. Bud Lishop will be Night Driver and C. S. Woods, Relief Driver. This will enable the Association to have a driver on duty at all times, thus making it possible to render more prompt and efficient service. These drivers will be sons authorized to call an ambucoached in First Aid and oxygen administration by Dr. Dodson. Perlance need only phone the Joshua Tree telephone operator.

The volunteer drivers' system did its part to help the Association in its development, which development now makes these changes necessary. We wish to take this opportunity to extend our very sin-

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Talented Artists! - - - Professional Musicians Give Concert

TWENTYNINE PALMS — Miss Freese, talented singer and violinist, of Tujunga is one of a group of talented musical artists who will give a concert at the Twentynine Palms Theatre on March 25th.

Tickets for the concert are on sale at Kenny's Drug and Stubbs Clothing in Twentynine Palms, at Crane Realty and the Joshua Journal office in Joshua Tree, at Nelson's Grocery and the Corner Store in Yucca Valley, and at Jimmy Gibb's Cafe in Morongo Valley. They may also be obtained at the Theatre in Twentynine Palms.

This musical concert, the first of a series to be sponsored by the Associated Clubs of Joshua Tree, will be given in two performances on Saturday March 25th at 7 and at 9 p.m. These young artists are obtained through the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Ager Hutchinson of Joshua Tree.

It's the Climate That Counts

City, County, and State officials haven't been able to lick Southern California's smog problem, so now we hear that the Federal Government is going to take up the battle. We hope it doesn't wind up as a United Nations problem.

We have a solution for it, and that's the climate in our part of the desert. No smog out here.

Dates for Census Crewleaders' School Announced

March 8th has been announced as the opening date by District Supervisor Joseph O. Eichenberg, of the local office of the United States Bureau of the Census for the training school for Census crew leaders who will supervise the field work of enumerators in this area for the 17th Decennical Census in this area in April. The crew leaders' class will be conducted by a technical expert from the Census Bureau's field staff. After a week of training, the crew leaders will be dispersed to their assigned positions in various parts of the 21st Congressional District and will in turn train enumerators to be selected for instruction during the last week in March.

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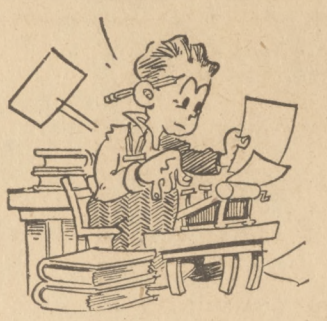

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Dear Reader:

It is impossible to publish eight pages unless we have most of our copy in by Saturday noon, so that the compositor will have it Monday to set it up. This produces an awkward situation since it becomes old news by the time the paper is printed on Tuesday.

We have no choice but to delete half the news that comes in on Sunday and Saturday. Eventually we hope to make arrangements to change this situation, but for the present, Kismit!

We are reprinting the map this issue, due to the many requests.

JOHUA TREE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Citizens who failed to attend our last meeting, again missed another fine display of interesting pictures, these unexpected surprises cannot be foretold, hence do not miss the meetings. Mr. Walter R. Illick and Mr. Harry Wheeler gave us this latest treat, for which we thank them.

Progress on the membership drive is still being made, but there is yet room for you, don't wait to be asked, you will be welcome, and for the small sum of $1, feel you are one of us for civic betterment.

Suggestion Box For Turtle Races

Herb. Langshaw has placed a suggestion box at the Trading Post Market and anyone having a suggestion which will be a benefit to the races, kindly make it known in writing, sign your name and drop it in the box —now—don't delay.

Don't forget this Friday night at the Club, new seats, prizes, fun, starts at eight bells. Wear your green, remember thats St. Patrick's Day—Hot dog!

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BY RUTH HALE

On Sunday of last week, a friend of mine and I took a ride on a road paralleling one of our busiest highways on which cars were almost bumper to bumper. We drove slowly as I wanted to see what promise there was of wild flowers. As we bumped along on the unpaved road, we were amazed at the lovely desert verbena which was blooming along the bank separating us from the main drag. We stopped and walked out into the desert and found that mnay other flowers were in bud. As this place is not easily reached, the flowers have not been disturbed by flower pickers. This goes to show why there is a Federal law, a state law, and county law which prohibits picking flowers or digging any desert growth unless on private property, when permission has been given by the owner. There are no permits issued to pick flowers nor to dig plants. The reason for this law is obvious, without it it would not be long before all that beauty would disappear. Might add to that there is a heavy fine for those disobeying the law. Let's try to save our desert beauty.

If you like rhubard, why not plant a couple of roots? It is easily grown, is edible and the big leaves can be quite decorative as well. You might try planting beets, cabbage, carrots, lettuce, etc., in among your flowers. This has been done by many people who have reported it to be quite satisfactory. If you are consistent about your watering this plan would help to save water.

Tramway

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present papers at this public hearing are requested to notify Regional Forester P. A. Thompson, 630 Sansome Str., San Francisco 11, California, on or before April 14, 1950, so that the time available may be equitably allocated between those for and against the proposal.

Persons desiring to express their views in writing may do so by sending them to Regional Forester P. A. Thompson by April 27, 1950.

The issue to be discussed at this hearing is whether the Forest Service should modify the San Jacinto Primitive Area by eliminating the S½ of Section 12 in the event a tramway right-of-way easement is granted across the S½ of Section 12.

All evidence, whether presented at the public hearing or sent by mail, will be considered by the Regional Forester and the Chief, Forest Service, in arriving at a decision.

P. A. THOMPSON,
Regional Forester

Pioneertown News

.The Delta Kappa Psi sorority from Redlands University descended in force and in costume on Pioneertown a week ago Sunday to cause quite a stir among the local cow-boys. The girls had dinner at the Golden Stallion after seeing the town. . . .Marylin Moon and having a coke at the Stallion. Marylin is studying voice with Norman Winter in Glendale this season. . . .Shorty Creswell is the new carrier for Pioneertown's new Post Office. Now we can find out which way he's goin', on a horse. .

29 Palms Stages

DAILY TIME SCHEDULE
Including Sundays & Holidays

A.M.		P.M.
9:15	29 PALMS	4:40
9:35	Joshua Tree	4:10
9:45	Yucca Valley	3:50
10:05	Morongo	3:40
10:25	29 Palms Jct.	3:10
10:30	Whitewater	3:00
10:45	Cabazon	2:45
11:00	BANNING	2:30
Read from Top Down		Read Up

Morongo Valley Notes

Ever see so many Cadillacs in the valley before? good sign of coming prosperity, maybe. . . .Pat O'Neil did alright on real estate sales Sunday. . . .We've found the fastest way to learn the facts is to make a-stab-in-the-dark, and someone always comes up with the correct answer to set us straight (i.e., first turkey grower in Morongo Valley was Sammy Mayes, about five years ago; is a jeweler now, but plans to retire to turkeys, later, according to Mr. Hess. Allen Hicks is the latest grower.). . .

Ambulance News

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so readily responded to calls and sincerest thanks to all those men who realized their responsibility to their patient as well as to the Association.

The Officers and Directors of the Ambulance Association also wish to express their thanks to Mr. Johnson of Twentynine Palms. When he heard that our ambulance was laid up for repairs, he made a trip to Joshua Tree to offer the services of his ambulance so that the people in the valley would not be without this protection. We greatly appreciate your courtesy and cooperation, Mr. Johnson! Through your aid we have been able to assure our members of uninterrupted service.

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by Don Harvey

Harvey in Hollywood

Hi, Neighbors! Under the Stetsons: Westerns, long considered the stepchildren of Hollywood, are now proving to be the only money making member of the family. The big "epic" with the star names play to half-houses, if that, while across the street a packed house cheers for some hard-riding, fast shooting cowboy hero. So what happens. .the big studios make big westerns. Paramount has just announced. . . .as we predicted they AND BILL (HOPALONG CASSIwould. . . .that BING CROSBY DY) BOYD will co-star in a musical western now called Pardners. ROBERT TAYLOR is currently on the screen and, frankly not quite believable, as the spur-jingling hero of Ambush. Television, too, leans heavy on the saddle with their western pics getting a high rating on all surveys. KLAC-TV has just leased 32 of them for immediate screening and most of them should bring back memories, as they star: TEX RITTER, KEN MAYNARD, BOB PERRIN, and BOB STEELE. If the trend to the hoss-opry continues you can ask for any big male star and we can truthfully answer: "They went that-a-way, pardner."

Speaking of Glamor: Stardust is the name of the stallion ridden by RANDOLPH SCOTT as the hero of Warner Bros.' westerns. Sawdust is the name of Stardust's standin! And that is what happened this week. . .IN THE MOVIES!

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON THEME "MATTER"

"Matter" is the subject of the Sunday Lesson-Sermon in all branches of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston. The Golden Text from Isaiah reads: "The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever."

These verses from the 46th Psalm will be read at the service: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in -trouble. Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; Though the waters thereof roar and betroubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God. . God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: . . The heathen raged, the kingdoms were moved: he uttered his voice, the earth melted. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge."

In "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" Mary Baker Eddy writes: "Every object in material thought will be destroyed, but the spiritual idea, whose substance is in Mind, is eternal." "The three great verities of Spirit, omnipotence, omnipresence, omniscience,—Spirit possessing all power, filling all space, constituting all Science,—contradict forever the beief that matter can be actual."

Joshua Tree Notes

. . . .Ray Peterson, Gov. of Glendale Moose Lodge, and wife and son accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Buck, visited the Kenneth Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Ted Crane and daughter Betty, and grand-son Jerry also visited the Williams. Cranes formerly residents of Joshua Tree. . . .

. . . .There will be a parade of 2,000 HORSES at the Palm Springs Circus next week. . . . . .

That isn't a brass nugget that George Bloom is carrying around in his pocket. We know where he got it too. . . .Mr. and Mrs. Mike Boris and two children, and Mr. and Mrs. Dernvsek of Sheldon, Wisconsin, relatives of the Joe Arches are vacationing in Joshua Tree. Mr. Boris owns the "Club 8" in Ladysmith, Wisconsin. . . Jonny Arch is entertaining Jack Teeter and family this week Jack has an up-and-coming trio that plans to make a nation-wide tour soon. His recent recording of the "Johnston Rag" is a sensation.. . . Good to see Bud Lyday and wife around. He's working for May Co. in La A. . . .

SPORTMAN'S CLUB NEWS

JOSHUA TREE — The Turtle Races this year will be held at the Sportsman's Club and committees for the annual event are already on the ball, starting to work several weeks earlier than in past years. The main event will be held on the ball field and a committee of Sportsman have been appointed to oversee the building and installa-

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A GOOD INVESTMENT

JOSHUA TREE — Mr. William P. Taylor, officer of the California Bank at Sunset and Alvarado, purhcased a home in Joshua Tree and plans to retire here in April.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Ed:

Church notes states, "there was a good congregation at Community Chapel on March 5th." Thanks for the compliment. We were there.

A Visitor

Alaska Talk at Women's Club

JOSHUA TREE — Mrs. Pearl Nevitt, guest speaker, will talk on interesting points of Alaska at the regular meeting of the Joshua Tree Women's Club, March 15th, at 1:30 p.m., in Community Hall.

Mrs. Irma Lee Jackson, local representative of Stanley Products, will be present to explain the Stanley program.

Joshua Tree Women's Club

NEW PROJECT FOR 1950

JOSHUA TREE — A beautiful drinking fountain to be erected at the northwest corner of the Community Park on Park Boulevard.

Chairman of this project is that civic minded person, Mrs. Margret Bair, who not only originated but designed this proposed beautiful addition to our civic center.

The plans and sketches were drawn by Mr. Larry Gray and can now be seen by contacting Mrs. Margaret Ba..

The Fountain, circular in shape, will have a raised platform 15 inches high, above the floor will be 4 flower beds about 6 inches high. These will divide the 4 sets of steps, in the center will be the drinking fountain built of polished native rocks and minerals, and inserted a bronze plaque with a Joshua Tree imprinted and Joshua Tree Women's Club 1950 Project, beneath which will be the following verse:

May health and happiness attend all
Who drin.. .ur pure water,
Bathe in our golden sunshine,
Explore our rich mountains,
Abide in our wonderful climate.

Water for the fountain will be donated by the Joshua Tree Service Company by the cooperation of Mr. Frank Batters and Mr. Poole.

The whole structure will be of native rock and minerals.

Donations of rocks, minerals, and funds will be greatly appreciated. Contact Mrs. Margret Bair or Mrs. Sarah Mitchell (Sec'y. of the C. of C.)

A complete record of donations, materials, and labor will be kept and published later.

LET'S TAKE IT EASY

JOSHUA TREE — The Sportsmen Club has purchased fifty new "easy to rest" chairs for their hall. (Should get a lot of attendance at the meetings now.)

CHURCH NOTES

Josuha Tree Community church was full to everflowing last Sunday, a record crowd.

MRS. WALKER IMPROVED

Mrs. Sonja Walker is home again after several serious operations. Mrs. Walker has had the proverbial "Hard Luck" for the last 4 months, and has come near death's door several times. She is feeling better now, and is able to have visitors. She wishes to thank her many friends who have helped her. Sgt. Walker is in Okinawa, and is anxiously awaiting the arrival of his wife and two sons: Jimmy and Donald, who are waiting to join him as soon as the Army gets around to them.

PALM SPRINGS — Palm Springs has changed the date of its Desert Circus celebration from March 30-April 2 to March 21-26.

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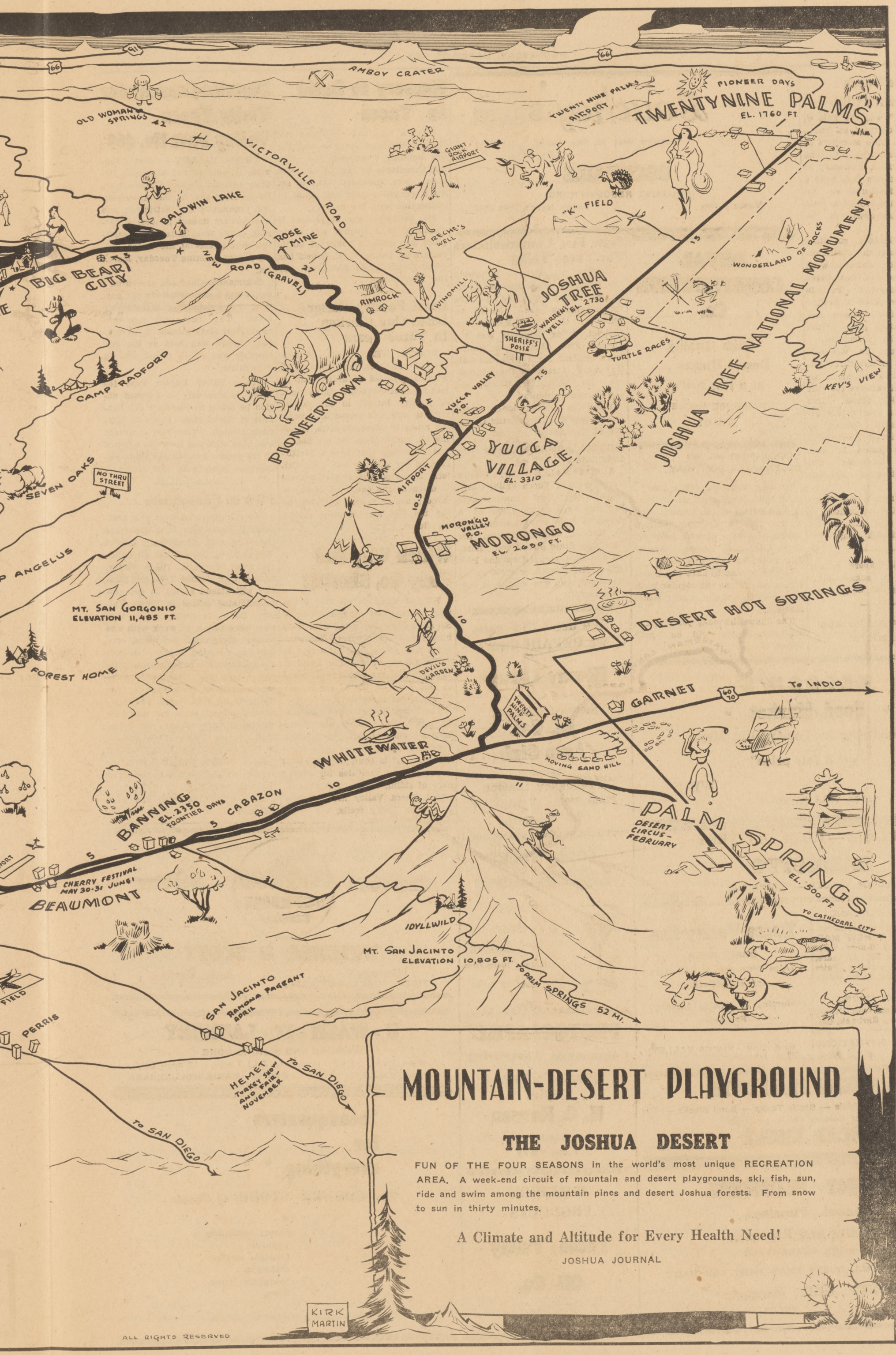

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Notes on the Yucca Valley Woman's Club

"Rug Hooking" was the title of an interesting lecture given Yucca Village Woman's Club members at its dessert luncheon Feb. 24th. The speaker, Mrs. Curran, Secretary of the 29 Palm Woman's Club gave a comprehensive discourse on the subject, tracing its evolution from the Early Egyptian down to the Modern times.

A crew of volunteer solicitors from the club, under the chairmanship of Mrs. LeRoy Jewette, went into action for the Red Cross Drive on Wednesday, March 1st. To date the Yucca Valley quota of $165.00 is lacking by a few dollars. Any further contributions given before March 30th will be appreciated.

Each member of the Woman's Club has pledged to earn three dollars in the next two months to be used in getting silverware for the club. March 6th Mmes. Ben Pietschman, Peter Peters, Roy Pifer and Harry Rolph, opened up the doors of the lovely Pietschman home in Juniper Heghts to club members, their husbands and guests, serving them a delicious dinner.

Mmes. Aron English, Clay Tunstall were heartily welcomed as new members of the club at its regular meeting March 10th.

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LEGION POST NO. 469 CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

YUCCA VALLEY —The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 469 Yucca Valley met in the Legion Hall March 7th. A delicious potluck supper was enjoyed with members of the American Legion. Several new members were accepted.

It was decided to have two meetings a month, one the regular business meeting and the other a social meeting.

The annual birthday party of the Ameican Legion will be held March 15.

New Fire Commissioners For Yucca Valley

YUCCA VALLEY — Following the Chamber of Commerce meeting last Friday night, the new Fire Commissioners were elected to office for the Yucca Valley Fire District. Clay Tunstall was re-elected Fire Chief; Lee Smith, Jules Boldizar, Mr. Tonkin and Odis Ray were elected as Commissioners. Mr. Stout, Mr. Stotts, and Joe Ammon, resigning.

The Fire Commissioners meet once a month following the Chamber of Commerce meeting.

PIONEER HOMESTEADER SUCCOMBS

YUCCA VALLEY—Mr. Walter Harrell, one of Yucca Valley's earliest settlers and homesteaders died this week as the result of a stroke suffered several weeks ago. Mr. Harrell, originally from the Lone Star State owned one hundred and sixty across from the Post Office. Mr. Harrell is survived by his widow, who was a bride of only a few months.

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Mr. Barnhart, who at present is employed in a cleaner and dying plant has made a hobby of horticulture for years. C. C. Brown has erected the initial foundation for the greenhouse.

Local Poultry Raiser Loses One Chicken In Three Years

YUCCA MESA — Al Gillette, chicken raiser on the Yucca Mesa Estates revealed Saturday that he lost his first chicken in three years of poultry raising in the desert. Gillette who was raised on a poultry ranch in Massachusetts, is living on Yucca Mesa for his health, and has found that it is a healthy climate for poultry, too. Mr. Gillette is performing a post-mortem to discover the cause of death. In three years of raising chickens he has not had any diseases among his flocks.

Which Way Did They Go, Sheriff?

YUCCA VALLEY — Five deputies of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Posse came out with their horses and trailers last Thursday for a ride and a few day's rest at Yucca Corral Acres. The deputies revealed that the whole posse plans to ride herd on the valley in April for about three days.

The Yucca Corral Acres was host to the Monrovia-Arcadia Posse last fall when almost fifty of their members spent three days here. The "corral" is equipped with barbecue pit and facilities for taking care of riding clubs. The area around Yucca Valley affords some very good riding trails.

District Commander Visits Yucca Valley Post No. 469

YUCCA VALLEY — Don Chapman, Commander of American Legion, District 25, and Charles Harlowe, Chairman of the Americanism Committee for District 25, and Commander Robert Basden, Chairman of the Rehabilitation Committee were guests at the Yucca Valley Legion meeting Tuesday, March 1st.

Commander Chapman presented a scroll and a decoration for the post flag, for outstanding membership drive. The local post now has more than sixty members. A pot-luck dinner was held at the last meeting and a big crowd was in attendance.

Yucca Valley Legion Post 469 voted unanimously to demand action be taken to eliminate the hazards of "Dead Man's curve in Morongo Canlon. The Post Adjutant has been directed to write a letter to the proper County and State authorities concerning this action.

PTA to Consolidate

For the information of new residents to the Valley, it is important that any with Elementary School Age children know: that all children from Morongo, Yucca Valley, Pioneertown, Joshua Tree, and Sunfair will attend school in the new consolidated school in Yucca Valley. So — in order to see that they have things to work with and proper playground activities, etc., the now existing Parent-Teachers Associations are consolidating also. So — they are planning to have representatives from each of the towns on the PTA Board. The nominating committee is out now, the election for new officers will be on March at the Yucca Valley School. It is IMPORTANT THAT RESIDENTS FROM EACH TOWN be present to help elect ones to serve you next year.

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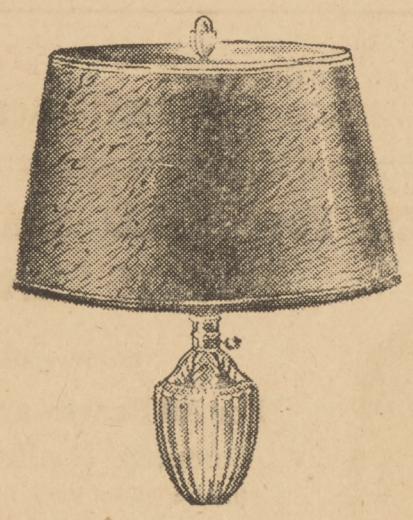

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ago, kept on running after he finished the course in the Joshua Tree races five years ago, and arrived at Yucca Valley, four miles distant, last week. He ran day and night without stopping to hibernate, hesitating only long enough to grab a desert verbena for lunch, occasionally. The ordinary, lazy desert turtle hibernates four months every winter.

The Chamber of Commerce has agreed that any turtle it enters in the race will not be stimulated with itching powder or turpentine, and if it wins it will be solely the result of its desire to bring fame to Banning, or to get away from Joshua Tree.

Banning has also been asked to ented an exhibit and a booth at the turtle sweepstakes.

JOSHUA TREE — Every year it's the same story, we have difficulty holding down enthusiasm over the Turtle Races. Already the Banning Chamber of Commerce is looking for a turtle, and the poor sleepy creatures haven't crawled out from winter quarters. Have patienee, Sirs, you'll have one in time for the 5th Annual Running Grand Turtle Race Sweepstakes.

We read with amusement the Record's account of "Sandbiscuit's" trek from Joshua Tree to Yucca Valley following the first race, but just to keep the "record" straight the fact is that "Sandbiscuit" following his triumph at the Joshua Tree National Turtle races in 1946 left for the turtle races in Kentucky in 1947, thence to the races in1948, last year (just for variety he entered the sea race from Key West to Havana, Cuba, and arrived back in the Joshua Desert last week for a few weeks work out in Yucca Valley. Sandbiscuit has been seen lately working out with Dr. Fairbanks' greyhounds.

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Desert Star Club

Desert Star Club held their regular meeting at the 20 & 9 Coffee Shop on March 9th at which time it was voted to close the membership for Charter Members, and now the membership is open to all eligible Eastern Stars, i.e., Mothers, Sisters, Wives, or Daughters of Masons. They also announced a "Canasta Party" for March 23., with a Sunfair Turkey for a Door Prize to be held at the 29 Palms Community Hall at 8 p.m. Refreshments.

LEATHER-CRAFT CLASSES CONTINUE

TWENTYNINE PALMS — The Leather-Craft classes at the Desert Stationers are progressing well. New textile Painting classes are starting: Monday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Leather-craft classes are on Tuesday and Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 noon.

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THE TURKEY GROWERS PAGE

ASSEMBLED ON THIS PAGE EACH WEEK ARE NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE TURKEY GROWERS OF THE DESERT AREAS

Navy Photographer Starts Turkeys

SUNFAIR — Jo Fetherston, son of Eddie and Roselle Fetherston, a Navy photographer, has recentiy been discharged from the Navy and is going to raise turkeys with his father. Joe, who did a seven year hitch in the Navy, was in almost every Naval engagement in the Pacific Theatre during the war, and was in the first wave on many betch-head invasions.

During the invasion of Iwo Jima, Joe and thirty-two other photographers landed with the first wave. Only four photographers came out of this invasion alive; one other, Bob Saunders, a Marine-Intelligence photographer, recently lived in Yucca Valley.

On one occasion, Joe and his father Eddie were within sight of each other in the South Pacific. Joe was on the Saratoga, and Eddie was laying submarine nets. Neither knew that the other was in the area.

SPORTSMAN'S CLUB NEWS

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tion of new bleacher seats, so that plenty of seats will be available for all those attending the races. The Womens Club will sponsor a dance on Saturday night before the Sunday event. Booths will be erected a week before, allowing plenty of time to have everything in readiness for the main event. Tables and benches both inside and out of the club building will afford comfort and convenience for those wanting to lunch or take refreshments. The committee in charge of the annual event decided the Sportsman's Club would be the proper place to hold the races, as this year promises to be the best and largest ever held. The convenience of toilets, drinking water, shade, bleacher seats and plenty of parking space all go to make it the ideal spot fo the greatest race yet.

Sunfair Notes

The Wetmores are rightly proud of their new brooder house, even has an enclosed passage from bedroom to brooder for dark and stormy nights; boasts of a "pet pen" to for the family Angora (cat that is). . . .Permission to pass onto the Sliver Dollar Ranch is obtainable at the Water Co.. office. . . .Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Chapman, parents of Tom Frye were visitors last Sunday as was Mrs. Jean Kirkland of Massmillon, Ohio (Frye's home town). The Frye-Harmon poults are a healthy looking brood; good results from the wing clipping. . . .Dick Summers hopes to have his "deal" through soon. The Forrest Summers are harboring a secret. Pretty soon now, maybe? . . . .The Cantina will need an annex before long. . . .Got some new turkey raisers coming in.

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"Fried turkey for Sunday dinner may rival the more common fried chicken as turkey broilers gain favor among poultry producers," the yearbook said. "Young turkeys also have been favorably received as small roasters."

Experiments at the Agriculture Department's Beltsville (Md.) farms indicate turkey "fryers" can be produced in two weeks less time than a frying chicken. The experimenters also found it took less feed to raise a turkey fryer.

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